Bees and Honey

Honey production in Utah from producers with five or more colonies totaled 874,000 pounds during 2001, down 11 percent from the 2000 level. The number of colonies at 23,000 was down 1,000 from the previous year. Production per colony, at 38 pounds, was 3 pounds below the level of 2000. The price received per pound of honey averaged 65 cents, up 5 cents from

2000. The total value of the honey produced in 2001 was \$568,000, down 3.7 percent from 2000. Several Utah apiaries kept their bees in other States during part of the year. Honey produced in other States was counted in that state's production and not included in the Utah production.

Honey: Colonies of Bees, Production, & Value, Utah 1994-2001

Year	Honey Producing Colonies	Honey			
		Production		Value of Production	
		Yield per Colony	Total	Average Price per Pound	Total
	1,000	Pounds	1,000 Pounds	Cents	1,000 Dollars
1994 1995 1996 1997	43 32 34 32	59 33 46 52	2,537 1,056 1,564 1,664	53 65 85 75	1,345 686 1,329 1,248
1998 1999 2000 2001	30 26 24 23	58 45 41 38	1,740 1,170 984 874	65 68 60 65	1,131 796 590 568

